

# 5 SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE

Contained in President Harding's Plan to be Considered by Rail Executives and Union Heads Today—Include Preferential Treatment For Employees Who Remained on the Job During the Strike; That Employees in Future Abide by the Decisions of the Railroad Labor Board; Acceptance of Wage Reductions Pending a Rehearing on the Matter by the Board—There is Little Doubt About the Acceptance of These Compromise Proposals.

Cincinnati, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—Five specific proposals for the settlement of the rail strike are contained in President Harding's plan which will be submitted to rail executives in Chicago tomorrow. It was asserted here tonight by an official of the railroad union that the official, who refused to permit the use of his name, stated that he had secured the information from rail union officials in Washington Saturday.

The five specific proposals according to the official include:

- 1.—That the employees who abide by the decision of the United States railroad labor board in the future.
- 2.—In the matter of seniority the employees who remained on the job during the strike will receive preferential treatment.
- 3.—The men will accept the recent wage reductions of the rail labor board pending a further rehearing on the matter by the board.
- 4.—Furloughing out of shop work by the railroads will be discontinued.
- 5.—Regarding the matter of adjustment boards, the official stated that the unions desire a national board of adjustment while the railroad executives seek either regional or system boards.

Three points will be stressed by the general chairman tomorrow, it was stated, as a basis for settlement. Restoration of full seniority, national boards of adjustment, and elimination of "furlough" out of work. They will oppose, it was stated, curtailment of seniority, agreement to accept in the future decisions of the board and other than a national board of adjustment.

It was stated that the matter of accepting the proposals of President Harding's plan, which is being considered by the American Federation of Labor, since this body was the one which sanctioned the strike of the shipmen. The policy committee is composed of thirty men, thirty of whom are from the Delaware and Hudson, was chosen to preside tomorrow at a conference of the National Association of Railway Executives, which will be attended by representatives of 141 roads.

T. Dennis Cuyler, president of the association, sent a message to rail chiefs at today's meeting, stating he expected President Harding's plan would be transmitted to them when they convened tomorrow morning.

## LITTLE DOUBT CONCERNING ACCEPTANCE OF COMPROMISE

Washington, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—Conviction that the rail strike would be a matter of history within twenty-four hours after acceptance of the compromise plan, was expressed by an official of the government's influence was mustered tonight behind the effort to obtain adoption by the employers' meeting in New York and that of the employees in Chicago tomorrow.

Chairman Hooper, of the railroad labor board, after a conference with President Harding today, left for Chicago to be on hand when the meeting is called of the general policy committee of the striking shop craft unions. Secretary Hoover left tonight to attend the New York meeting of the executives.

There was little doubt in administration circles concerning acceptance by the union leaders of the proposed compromise settlement. Several rail executives, however, are known to hold strong objections because of the fact that it would entail abandonment of many employees who ignored advanced notice to accept employment during the emergency.

Optimistic forecast of action to be expected from the New York meeting was based to more than a little extent, it was indicated, on the belief that T. Dennis Cuyler, chairman of the executives' association, and Vice President Atterbury, of the Pennsylvania, representatives of an influential group in the management side of the rail controversy, would vote for acceptance.

"At the same time the sticking point in the whole matter is to negotiate a settlement of the 'seniority rights' so-called, continued to protrude in every conversation and public statement of the leaders concerned. Management of several of the larger systems which now claim to have the strike beaten, have insisted that restoring the strikers, even though they accept the decreased pay and abrogation of favorable rules, would mean the dismissal of great numbers of competent men employed since the strike. It would further mean the displacement of men who stuck by the roads and who have since received promised promotions in the service.

On the union side, it was held that no settlement would be made by the organization unless it took care of all their men. That meant that all railroads, and not merely the largest number of smaller roads, had to put the agreement into effect, and that all the strikers on each road had to be taken back.

Advisers in the president had it that the executives of the larger systems who have publicly stated their positive refusal to take back the strikers on a temporary basis were willing in advance tomorrow's meeting, to say to associates:

## Fire in Hong Kong Burning Fiercely

American Hotel Among Those Buildings Damaged—Masonic Hall Threatened.

Hong Kong, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—The most disastrous fire that has swept the European business section in Hong Kong in many years broke out tonight and is still burning fiercely. Among the buildings badly damaged is the Carlton hotel, on Icehouse road, the only American hotel in the city.

The Grand hotel, on Queens road, also suffered considerably, while several other buildings have been destroyed. The fire is threatening the Masonic hall, only a few blocks from Government house, in the heart of the city.

## BITTER CONTEST IN MISSOURI TODAY

St. Louis, Mo., July 31.—(By The A. P.)—Missouri tomorrow, in the first primary election since the war, will elect her candidates for United States senator, congressman and a host of state, county and city offices.

Four political parties—democratic, republican, socialist and socialist-labor—have tickets in the election.

Interests in the primary in Missouri has been overshadowed by the bitter campaign between Senator James A. Reed and Breckinridge Long, third assistant secretary of state, in the general election. There is a third candidate in the race, Robert L. Young, St. Joseph, who has not made an active campaign.

The issue of national, the war prohibition, home ruin, party regularity and other subjects have been invoked in the Reed-Long fight.

While many organizations of women are backing Senator Reed, because of his support of the war, others are supporting him. Mrs. Champ Clark, widow of the former speaker of the house, and her son are among those who have endorsed Reed.

On the republican ballot there are six candidates for United States senator—J. W. Barrett, state attorney general, David M. Proctor, of Kansas City and John G. McKinley, of St. Louis.

Representatives of the republican party in Kansas City have the support of the regular republican organization, William Sacks, reputed millionaire oil man, is in the race on a light wings and beer platform, a program endorsed by Col. John H. Parker of Jefferson barracks, a soldier candidate.

Besides the senatorial race, congressional candidates will be elected in each of the sixteen districts. In the senate, the incumbent, with the exception of Representative Samuel A. Shelton, republican, of the sixteenth district, are seeking re-nomination.

Four women are in the race for congress.

## COAL STRIKE SETTLEMENT MAY BE MADE BY DISTRICTS

Washington, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—With the federal emergency coal control machine pulled by Fuel Distributor Spencer finally under way, the possibility of a settlement of the coal strike between the miners' union and the operators in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana bituminous fields might be instituted this week, was strongly indicated in Washington tonight.

Representatives of the various government departments and producing operators co-operating under the administration's distribution plan set to work on the initial problems, such as organization of regional committees in the producing fields and formation of coal pools.

Members of the federal distribution committee also conferred today with Cleveland operators on the question of supplies for the Great Lakes region, but no statement was made as to conclusions reached by the conferees.

In Cleveland, it was understood, a meeting is to be held next Monday looking to the settlement of the strike in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana.

Since the strike began, some operators have expressed willingness to negotiate with John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and the scale committees of the union. The controlling majority in most operators' associations has been unwilling, however, to meet with Lewis for a semi-national wage scale, and have also been unwilling to concede the wage scale of 1920, with its \$7.50 daily wage base for common labor underground.

Ohio coal operators' associations have said to have taken a nucleus about which Mr. Lewis was forming an inter-labor group with whom he would shortly attempt to negotiate a wage scale.

Mr. Lewis declared today in informed circles that a representation of operators from the three states other than Ohio in the conference proposed would be so small as to leave it a "rump affair." There were also fears that if such a gathering assembled, it might drag out a long time, while efforts were being made by those in it to get enough outsiders to make its wage decisions effective in the industry.

## UPHOLDS SALE OF RYAN STUTZ MOTOR STOCK

New York, July 31.—The motion of Francis G. Caffey, as receiver for Allan Ryan, to uphold the sale Wednesday of \$200,000 shares of Stutz motor stock to repay loans made by the Guaranty Trust company and other banking firms to Ryan, was denied today by Federal Judge Augustus N. Hand.

Receiver Caffey asked for a postponement, contending that the sale of the stock, which is said to constitute control of the Stutz company, was not advisable at this time.

## POISONED BY BLUEBERRY AND HUCKLEBERRY PIES

New York, July 31.—Blueberry and huckleberry pies, sold in a local restaurant, are alleged to have caused the death of a young man, who died after eating the pies, and a nearly all were forced to leave work for their homes.

## SLIGHT HOPE FOR RECOVERY OF U. S. SENATOR W. E. CROW

Uniontown, Pa., July 31.—Physicians attending United States Senator William E. Crow, who was stricken several hours after eating the pies, and a nearly all were forced to leave work for their homes.

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## TELEGRAMS

Hot Springs, Ark., Becket, Mass., was lost to the ground, occasioning loss of \$20,000.

Jack Pickford with his bride, Marilyn Miller, were on their honeymoon yesterday after successfully evading the swarms of curiosity seekers in Los Angeles.

The Polish parliament by a vote of 140 to 134 confirmed Sunday the nomination of Dr. Julian Nowak, rector of the University of Cracow, as prime minister.

Mrs. George P. Baker (Christina Hopkinson Baker) has been appointed acting dean of Radcliffe college for the year 1922-23.

Uncle Sam is refereeing 21 strike disputes and 10 controversies that have not yet reached the strike stage, Secretary of Labor Davis announced.

Work has commenced on the 1,000,000 bushel capacity elevator at Fort William, Ont., and it is expected that it will be ready in time to handle the fall's crop.

By a sheer drop of 3,000 feet in a crevasse, three men and one woman were killed while climbing the Jungfrau in Switzerland. Guides are searching for the bodies.

France has rejected Germany's request for a reduction in monthly payments on the debts contracted by German nationals with allied citizens prior to the World war.

Governor Cox will hold a conference this morning with Fuel Administrator Eugene C. Hultman in connection with the supply and distribution of coal in Massachusetts this winter.

The textile strike in Lawrence, Mass., which began many weeks after the strike in Rhode Island and New Hampshire, appears to have settled down into a grim test of endurance.

Two shiploads of German-made brick are en route from Danzig to builders in New York, the first shipment of foreign-made brick to be imported in an effort to beat down the prices of building material.

Rejected by Miss Stephanie Press, of Holyoke, Frank Pankowski, of Chicago Falls, fired one shot at her which missed, and then turned his pistol against himself, inflicting wounds from which it is said he cannot recover.

Rev. Luther F. McKenney, former co-pastor from New Hampshire, widely known as a Universalist minister and a prominent democrat, died at his home in Bridgton, Me., at the age of 81.

Members of the Christmas club of the Tremont Trust company, Boston, who saved money for gifts in the holiday season of 1920, yesterday received a dividend of 90 per cent—in time for summer vacation.

John Sennott, 17 years old, was fatally injured in Cambridge, Mass., when he was struck by an electric truck which had previously hurled a motorcycle driven by William L. Brooks of Somerville into a 10-foot excavation.

B. F. Bardo, New Haven, son of C. L. Bardo, general manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, has been appointed superintendent of electrical transmission at the company's power house at Coe Cob.

The will of J. Herbert Bronson, adroit to probate in Waterbury, disposed of an estate of the estimated value of \$100,000. Practically the entire estate is left to the testator's widow and son, Bennett Bronson.

Seven deaths from accident or suicide were recorded in the week ending last night in Connecticut. At least three persons were injured and several rescued from drowning were reported.

Dr. John H. Gower, 67, internationally famous organist, composer and expert on psychical research, died in Denver. He suffered a paralytic stroke three days ago. He was born in England. His father was a descendant of Sir Walter Scott.

America's share in the Argonne fighting was recalled Sunday in Paris when a memorial to 150,000 killed in the forests was inaugurated at Haute Chevauchee, near the ruins of Vauquois, Premier Poincare delivering the unveiling address.

Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, in a letter to the Dublin diocese, complained of the state of affairs of the past two weeks and said he was deliberating as to whether he should go to Dundalk and put the whole place under excommunication.

The latest statement at hand of the British government's floating debt showed a reduction of 71,275,000 pounds since the end of last March and of 49,163,500 pounds sterling from the same date in 1921.

The president and Mrs. Harding will vote by mail in the Ohio primary Aug. 8. It was said at the White House that the ballots would be forwarded to Marion during the week.

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned by the coroner's jury following an inquest on the body of the Countess of Essex, daughter of the late Beach Grant of New York, who was found dead in the bathroom of her London residence Friday.

Vittorio Orlando, who had been requested by King Victor Emmanuel of Italy to form a cabinet, informed the king that he had found it impossible to do so because of the lack of the transparency of both the socialists and the fascists.

An attempted robbery of the home of C. L. Bardo, general manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad in Westville, was frustrated when police arrested two men, one of whom was caught in the cellar of the Bardo residence.

The engagement of Jane Norton Grew, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Grew of Boston, to James Waterhouse Angell, son of James Rowland Angell, president of Yale university, has been announced by Miss Grew's parents.

About to ascend the stairs in his fifth avenue home in New York, Frank W. Preau, a vice president and director of the Cities Service company and junior partner of Henry L. Doherty and company, dropped to the floor and died a few minutes later.

## May Keep Rum Ships Twelve Miles at Sea

Talk of a Reciprocal Arrangement Between British and American Governments.

London, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—Premier Lloyd George told the house of commons this afternoon the British government was considering certain tentative suggestions made by the United States government with a view to preventing the smuggling of liquor into the United States.

Among these suggestions, said Mr. Lloyd George, was a proposal that the American and British governments enter into a reciprocal arrangement whereby the authorities of each government would be empowered to search vessels outside of territorial waters up to a distance of 12 miles from shore.

## CHICAGO IS FACING A TIE-UP OF STREET TRAFFIC

Chicago, July 31.—Facing a complete tie-up of street car and elevated traffic by Wednesday night, widespread preparations were being made today by automobile owners to meet the threatened strike crisis, affecting approximately 20,000 men.

All efforts of business men, city officials, union leaders and car line chiefs tonight apparently had failed in their efforts to avert a walk-out, precipitated by the demand of the surface lines that their men accept a wage reduction of approximately 17 per cent.

The strike is to take effect at 4 a. m. tomorrow on the street car lines and Wednesday on the elevated lines.

A complete tie-up of street car and elevated traffic began to make itself felt shortly before midnight tonight after the surface line employees at a mass meeting had voted for a walk-out, effective at 4 a. m. tomorrow.

Irish Free State troops have captured the town of Tipperary Sunday morning, says a dispatch to The Times from Dublin. The attack was commenced Saturday by troops from Dublin.

No progress was made for some hours owing to the absence of artillery. The irregulars were well fortified and commanded the main road with machine guns.

The firing died away just before midnight, but was renewed at 6 o'clock in the morning and the Free-States succeeded eventually in getting around the town and turning the positions of the irregulars.

Sharp house-to-house fighting followed, but the town was won and forty-four prisoners were taken.

A factory was badly damaged by fire.

## BLAMES SHERIFF FOR MASSACRE AT HERRIN

St. Louis, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—Responsibility for failure to prevent a demonstration which resulted in the killing of nineteen employees of the Southern Illinois Coal company by union miners and sympathizers near Herrin, Ill., June 10, is placed upon Sheriff Melvin Thaxton, of Williamson county by Col. Samuel N. Hunter of the Illinois National guard in his official report to Adjutant General Charles B. Black, Colonel Hunter announced here today.

## FOCH SENDS GREETINGS TO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Atlantic City, N. J., July 31.—Marshall Ferdinand Foch, who was inducted into the Knights of Columbus at Chicago last fall, has sent greetings to the supreme international convention of that organization which opened here tomorrow.

The message read:

"Greetings to my brothers of the Knights of Columbus assembled in convention, recognizing their generous and devoted service during the war and afterwards. I cherish the memory of your pilgrimage to Metz and of your hospitality in Chicago."

## BRITISH TALK OF REPRISALS AGAINST SHIP SUBSIDY

London, July 31.—Answering a question in the house of commons tonight concerning possible reprisals in event of an American ship subsidy bill becoming a law, Cecil B. Harcourt, secretary for foreign affairs, explained that the customs consolidation act of 1932 empowers the government to impose such a tax on foreign tonnage or goods as may be necessary to counteract any disadvantage British trade or shipping may suffer from preferences granted by foreign governments to their vessels or goods.

## FINE ORCHARD MOTORIST HELD FOR DEATH OF CHILD

New Haven, July 31.—John Moran of Pine Orchard, was held criminally responsible for the death of five-year-old Florence Marcella, of this city in a finding made public by Coroner Eliza Mix today. The child was struck by an automobile operated by Moran on July 24.

She was crossing the street in front of her home. The coroner in his finding says that Moran might have prevented the accident had he kept his attention on the road.

He knew the youngster was struck and told by a man who ran after the machine.

## PASSENGERS TAKEN OFF RAPIDS PRINCE ON SEA SLEDS

Montreal, July 31.—A modern sea sled, driven by engines of 200-horsepower, collaborating with simple skills manned by Indians from the Caghuana reservation, today carried several hundred passengers of the steamer Rapids Prince, from the rocks upon which they had been marooned since last night.

The vessel is now resting on a ledge of rock, with little danger of sinking. J. W. Norcross, vice president of the Canadian steamship line, owners of the Rapids Prince, said tonight that all of the 400 men on board the ship will be rescued before morning.

## MORE THAN 1,000,000 TONS COAL COMING FROM EUROPE IN AUGUST

Washington, July 31.—More than 1,000,000 tons of coal will be en route to the United States from Wales and the east coast of England by September 1, according to Vice President Smoot, of the Emergency Fleet corporation. Chartered vessels have been for 50 ships, aggregating 400,000 tons, to engage in the import of coal, he said.

# TURKS COMPLAIN OF GREEKS ON THE THRACIAN FRONTIER

Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs Has Sent a Note to the Allied High Commissioners Claiming That Greek Troops Already Concentrated Are Estimated at 30,000—Protest That It is a Violation of the Neutrality of Constantinople Proclaimed by the Great Powers—Greece Has Reaffirmed Its Promise Not to Invade the Neutral Zone, Including Constantinople, Without Consent of the Allies.

Constantinople, July 31.—(By The A. P.)—The Turkish minister of foreign affairs sent a note today to the allied high commissioners here setting forth the Greek concentration on the Thracian frontier, giving the numbers of the regiments in the movement, and declaring that five train loads of troops have left Adrianople for Thessalonica and Thessalonica.

The troops already concentrated are estimated at 30,000 by the minister.

The note expresses the hope that the allies will take all measures to prevent a violation of the neutrality of Constantinople proclaimed by the great powers.

## PEACE DEPENDENT UPON GREEKS LEAVING ASIA MINOR

Constantinople, July 31.—Major General Charles V. F. Townshend, commander of the British troops who surrendered to the Turks at Kut-el-Amara in the campaign for Baghdad during the war, who was reported recently to be on a mission to the Near East, is quoted in an Ankara message as declaring before leaving the Turkish national capital yesterday that a speedy peace between Turkey and Greece would be possible if the Greeks should immediately evacuate Asia Minor. If this territory were returned to Turkey, he declared, all other points could easily be settled.

General Townshend expressed his conviction that a serious situation would ensue if the peace negotiations failed.

Special dispatches from London in May reported that the British government had refused to give General Townshend a passport to visit Turkey, because it was believed the hero of Kut intended to deliver pro-Turkish speeches, as he was said to strongly favor the Turkish side of the argument with Greece. General Townshend, since his retirement from the army, has been elected a member of parliament. It was he who presented the Turkish armistice proposals at the close of the war. The Turks who had held him to go to London on parole to make known the Turkish capitulation proposals.

## NOT TO PERMIT GREEKS TO MARCH UPON CONSTANTINOPLE

London, July 31.—The action of Greece in threatening to march on Constantinople and proclaiming autonomy for Smyrna and the Aegean islands, has been the difficult Near Eastern problem to the forefront in diplomacy.

Premier Lloyd George, in a statement to parliament today, gave reassuring information concerning the decision of the effect that Greece had reaffirmed its previous undertaking not to invade the neutral zone.

## REFUTATION ASKED OF THE K. OF C. SUPREME KNIGHT

Atlantic City, N. J., July 31.—Every delegate here for the opening of the fortieth annual convention of the Knights of Columbus received a letter tonight signed by the supreme international Catholic citizens' of Boston, calling upon the order to disavow the attack made by Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty upon the supreme court of Massachusetts at the close of the war. The Knights of Columbus must either assume or disavow responsibility for them. They involve not merely the organization itself, but the entire Catholic hierarchy.

"The attack upon the supreme court of Massachusetts was unwarranted and flagrant. He deliberately allied the great organization of which he is the head and for which he speaks with these destructive forces—arrogant, anarchistic, equally baseless, indefensible, and dangerous to social tranquility, and to the safety of the republic was his vicious attempt to relapse the tremendous power of religious and racial intolerance, which happily here had been dying out."

Election of a supreme advocate and six members of the board of directors will feature the annual election. There are two factions in the field, one headed by William J. Mulligan, former chairman of the war activities committee of the Knights, and now a member of the board of directors, and the other by Luke E. Hart. They are the candidates for supreme advocate.

## POSSIBILITY OF VERDICT BY THE ORECHAIN JURY

Los Angeles, July 31.—Preparations to keep the jury in another night in the case of Mrs. Madeline Obenshain, on trial for the murder of J. Elton Kennedy, were ordered late today when a majority of the twelve jurors said there was a possibility of a verdict being reached.

The jury, which had been divided six to six during most of the deliberations since last Friday afternoon, had switched to seven to five when Judge Shenk called in to report shortly before 3 p. m. The foreman did not indicate whether the majority was for conviction or acquittal.

The judge directed that if they failed to reach a verdict during the evening, they be taken to a hotel for the night.

## MOTOR TRUCK INJURIES FATAL TO HARTFORD MAN

Hartford, July 31.—Michael Tossello of Hartford died at the Hartford hospital this afternoon as the result of injuries sustained shortly after 10 o'clock last night when he was struck by a motor truck operated by Frank Isleib of Marlboro. Tossello was walking along the New London turnpike when Isleib is said to have run him down. The latter was arrested, but released upon furnishing \$1,000 bond. Isleib said he was blinded by the headlights of another automobile and did not see Tossello.

## ISSUES INVOLVED IN KANSAS PRIMARY TODAY

Topeka, Kan., July 31.—(By The A. P.)—The eve of Kansas' eighth primary election finds little enlightenment in the enigma of what the morrow will bring forth.

The majority of the political prophets put the three best prospects for the republican gubernatorial race in this order: W. Y. Morgan, C. L. Lamberton, and former Governor Stubbs.

A possible strength of any of these three and that of Tom McKelvey, with his state-wide acquaintance formed through his position as editor of a farm publication and that of Fred W. Knapp, who has endorsement of the labor unions and other organizations, is problematical to all observers.

The one big issue, the industrial court, is for abolition by McNeal and Knapp. Stubbs is favorable to it. Morgan and Lamberton have asserted they favor the "idea."

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Chicago, July 31.—More than a hundred persons were injured and an entire neighborhood terrorized today by the explosion of more than 1,000,000 feet of gas and the collapse of its container.

The blast, accompanied by a towering column of flame, came without warning and spread burns, desolation and fear through a district covering about six blocks and peopled mostly by foreign laborers.